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- 1 AN ACT Relating to performance audits of the state investment
- 2 board; and adding a new chapter to Title 43 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. Unless the context clearly requires
- 5 otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this
- 6 chapter.
- 7 (1) "Board" means the state investment board.
- 8 (2) "Auditor" means the state auditor.
- 9 (3) "Performance audit" means: (a) Identifying the appropriate
- 10 statutory mandates and limitations that apply to the board; (b)
- 11 determining whether the board is complying with its statutory mandates;
- 12 (c) recommending corrective action, if necessary; (d) identifying
- 13 appropriate standards for management practices and operations; (e)
- 14 determining the extent to which the board is complying with such
- 15 standards; and (f) recommending ways for the board to improve its level
- 16 of compliance.
- 17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** The auditor, in consultation with the
- 18 legislative budget committee, is responsible for the conduct of

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- 1 performance audits of the board as often as he or she deems advisable,
- 2 but no less frequently than every four years. The auditor shall
- 3 establish and publish a schedule of regular performance audits and
- 4 solicit public comment relative to the performance of the board at
- 5 least three months prior to the conduct of a regularly scheduled
- 6 performance audit.
- 7 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 3.** The cost of performance audits conducted
- 8 under section 2 of this act are at the expense of the board.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 4.** The auditor, to the greatest extent
- 10 possible, shall coordinate with the legislative budget committee, the
- 11 office of financial management, and other state agencies as
- 12 appropriate, when developing performance audit goals, objectives, and
- 13 standards for the board.
- 14 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 5.** The auditor shall, under chapter 39.29 RCW,
- 15 obtain and utilize the services of private firms with sufficient
- 16 professional staff possessing the education, training, and practical
- 17 experience auditing private and governmental entities necessary to
- 18 conduct the performance audits required by this chapter.
- 19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 6.** Sections 1 through 5 of this act shall
- 20 constitute a new chapter in Title 43 RCW.

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